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TRANSLATION: CASEY LOE

LETTERING: RINA MAPA

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ALSO, APPARENTLY A DEEP COVER OPERATIVE FROM OSTANIA'S INTELLIGENCE APPARATUS WHO HAS REPEATEDLY PASSED WESTERN SECRETS TO THE EAST.

HE MAY WELL HAVE BEEN BEHIND THE RECENT SPY PURGE THAT'S DONE SO MUCH DAMAGE TO OUR OPERATIONS.

PHEW!

CRASH

WINSTON WHEELER, WESTALIS INTEL-LIGENCE, COMMUNI-CATIONS DIVISION.

I WORKED ON A MISSION WITH WHEELER BEFORE WHEN I CAME TO THE EAST.

HE'S AN EXTREMELY TALENTED AGENT.

TCH. WHAT THE HELL IS WRONG WITH HQ?! ACTING ALL HIGH-AND-MIGHTY WHILE THEY'RE LETTING MOLES RUN WILD?

WE BELIEVE HE CROSSED THE BORDER SOMEWHERE IN THE NORTH AND IS ALREADY IN OSTANIAN TERRITORY. BUT THERE'VE BEEN NO SIGHTINGS OF HIM SINCE.

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HOW DO THEY EXPECT US TO FIND HIM NOW?

WHEELER'S NOT THE ONLY MOLE IN THE GAME. WE'VE GOT OUR OWN GUYS DIGGING AWAY AT EASTERN BUREAUS.

BUT BE CAREFUL. THEIR AGENTS ARE WELL AWARE THAT WISE INTENDS TO GET IN THE WAY.

AH, ACTUALLY, WORD IS THAT HE'S MEETING UP WITH THE SSS AT A HOTEL IN SHELLBURY.

HOW SOLID IS THAT INTEL?

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WE'LL NEED TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO STOP HIM FROM HANDING OVER THAT FILE. WHO KNOWS HOW MANY WISE AGENTS' LIVES ARE HANGING IN THE BALANCE.

HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO STAY LEVEL-HEADED WHEN WE'RE STEPPING THROUGH THE GATES OF HELL HERE?

We should grab a drink when we get there.

HEAVEN FORBID.

I THINK IT'S SAFE TO ASSUME THE SSS HAS DEPLOYED A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF AGENTS.

THIS IS PROBABLY THE REASON YURI BRIAR GOT CALLED AWAY SO SUDDENLY.

THAT'S JUST HOW RISKY THIS OPERATION IS.

WE MAY NEED TO CONSIDER PULLING THE PLUG ON ALL OUR ACTIVE OPERATIONS IN THE EAST, INCLUDING OPERATION STRIX. WE CAN REGROUP AND START FRESH LATER.

THE HANDLER ORDERED US TO RECOVER THE FILES, AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE'LL DO.

IF WE DID THAT, IT WOULD TAKE YEARS BEFORE WE'D MANAGE TO GET THIS CLOSE TO DESMOND AGAIN.

DON'T BE RIDICU-LOUS.

IT'S BEEN FUN, BUT THAT'S ENOUGH CHITCHAT FOR NOW.

MY APOLOGIES.

WE'RE ABOUT TO ENTER SSS TERRITORY.

SHELLBURY, NORTHWEST OSTANIA

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WHAT ?!

ACCORDING TO THE DIRECTOR, THE POWERS THAT BE NEVER SIGNED OFF ON THIS OPERATION.

HOW THE HELL SHOULD I KNOW?

WHY ALL THE CLOAK-AND-DAGGER STUFF, LIEUTENANT? THIS IS OUR OWN COUNTRY!

It's making me jittery.

I'M SURE THERE ARE CONCERNS ABOUT OUR INTERNATIONAL IMAGE AS WELL.

I'M JUST SPECULATING, BUT I ASSUME THEY WANT TO MAINTAIN COMPLETE DENIABILITY WHEN IT COMES TO ANYTHING THAT COULD SPARK CONFLICT—LIKE STEALING SECRET FILES FROM THE WEST.

THE CURRENT ADMINISTRATION DOESN'T WANT TO DO ANYTHING THAT WOULD RISK ROCKING THE BOAT WITH WESTALIS.

BESIDES, IF WISE INFERFERED ...

...AND TWILIGHT WERE TO SHOW...

REGARDLESS, WE PROCEED WITH THE UTMOST CARE. DON'T DRAW ANY ATTENTION TO YOURSELVES.

THOUGH I DON'T SEE HOW IT'S THE DIRECTOR'S PLACE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT.

THIS WOULD BE THE BEST CHANCE WE'VE EVER HAD TO CATCH HIM.

DO NOT LET THEM MAKE CONTACT WITH WHEELER, NO MATTER WHAT.

IT'S A DANGEROUS JOB, BUT YOU WILL STALL THE SSS, RED 1.

RED 4 WILL WAIT AT POINT B-7 AS BACKUP. MAINTAIN RADIO SILENCE AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

RED 2 AND RED 3—THAT'S ME AND NIGHTFALL—WILL GO AHEAD TO COORDINATE WITH BLUE TEAM AND GET EYES ON WHEELER AND THE FILE.

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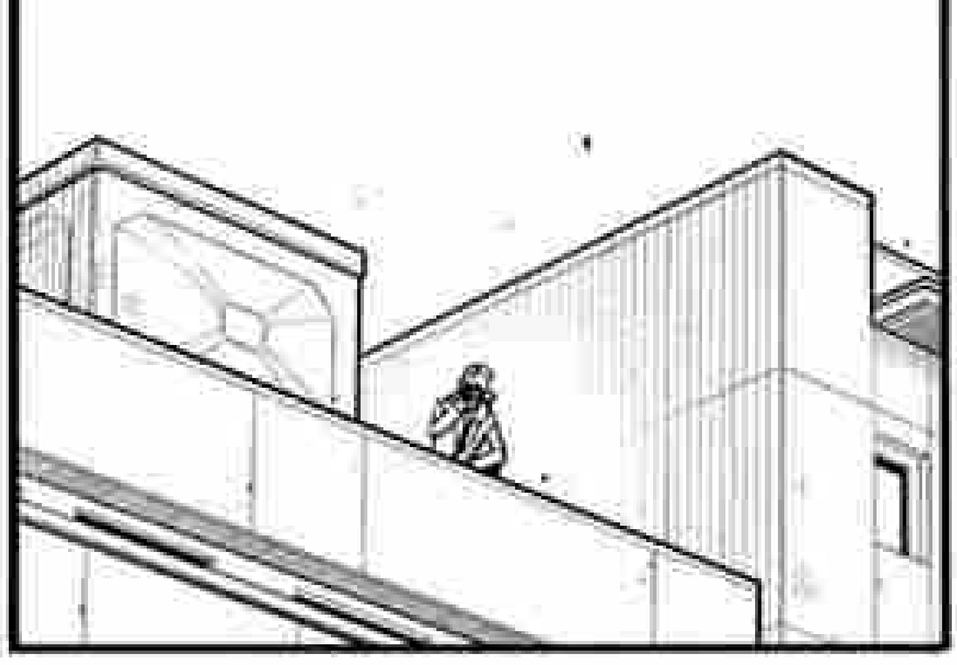

SHELLBURY HOTEL

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THIRD STREET'S ALL CLEAR...

YOU A NEW RECRUIT, KID?

GLANCE

THIS COULD BE TWILIGHT POSING AS HIM!

NO, WAIT! STAY COOL...

HE KNOWS I'M A MEMBER OF THE SSS!

WINSTON WHEELER ?!

DON'T TURN AROUND. JUST ACT NORMAL.

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BOOKS

GLANCE

NOD

IT'S REALLY HIM!

A GEMSTONE TIEPIN ON A GREEN TIE...

FLIP FLIP

...THIS HOTEL HAS A SERIOUS RAT PROBLEM. I'M CHANGING THE LOCATION.

TELL YOUR SUPERIORS...

MEET ME AT THIS PARK IN 30 MINUTES.

...

GUESS HE'S NOT GONNA SHOW ...

SHELLBURY HOTEL

FWOOM

WHAT HAPPENED? DID HE SENSE US SOMEHOW? NO, HE COULDN'T HAVE.

BUT THIS ISN'T GOOD. IF WE KEEP WASTING TIME LIKE THIS...

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LENT
WORK.

WELCOME
HOME,
WHEELER.

To be continued!